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But judging only by glad heart beats,
'Twas a splendid house, I'm sure.

First, Buby sang, as well as she could, Some sweet little notes that I understood; And wee Kate's chirp or a laugh broke out As Willie ran in with a merry shout; The pussy purred on the rug in state, And the good clock ticked, "It's late! it's lat While over the fire the kettle sang Its cheery song with the least little twang.

That was Part First, you must know, my dear, When only we live were there to hear, The fire crackled applause. The baby's soft little pat-a-cake Made reckl as encores for the music's sake, And pussy flourished her paws.

Well, the Second Part! Ah, that was fine— Fine to the heart's core, lover mine! For over the kettle's winsome plaint, And the baby's breathing, sweet and faint, And over the prattle of Will and Kate, And the clock's impatient "Late! it's late!" I heard the blessedest sound of all— A click of the latch, a step in the tail! And "Home, Sweet Home," pulsed all the air, As you came calling up the stair.

The Curate's Story.

In the earlier years of my clerical life it was my fortune to hold a curacy

in one of the sucient metropolitan par-The church was, in point of architectural beauty, by no means what it might have been, although efforts toward improvement had been made when I first entered on my duties, Yet, unprepossessing as was the appearance of the building, it seemed to exercise an almost magnificent power of attraction upon persons about to marry, and to such an extent was this the case that when I left the parish I had myself married one couple for every day of the period during which I had held the curacy.

Seldom did an evening pass without a ring at the bell of my lodgings about 9 or 10 o'clock, and the entry of a peculiarly folded paper with ever the self-

same contents: "Rev. Sir: A wedding (two or three weddings, and now and then even six or seven) at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. Your obedient servant, J. B., clerk."

He was a wonderful man, that same J. B. My vicar, who had not the best of health, though he did his part ac-cording to his ability, was a handsome man of some fifty-five years, and looked his profession; but J. B., on Sundays, as far as "dress and deportment" white cravats, and the glossiest of strictly clerical coats, and a look which seemed to say: "Vicars and curates may be all very well in their way, but I know on whose shoulders the real responsibilities of the service rest," fairly eclipsed us both. He had seen, as he told me, four vicars "out "-he has since a fifth-and curates without number. His post was a lucrative one; and he was reported to have done well for himself in his business—that of an undertaker—so, perhaps, it was but natural that he should be tolerent of the vicar and condescending to the cu-

rate as to "men who come and go," while clerks go on forever. But, like the peacock, he was better to look at than to hear; his voice was his weak point; the higher it was raised the more reedy it grew, as I realized on my first Sunday afternoon, when, after the baptismal service was concluded-there were eight babies that day-he shocked my notions of pro priety by thus addressing the assem-bled sponsors: "Ladies as wishes to be churched please to go up to the rails," which the ladies accordingly

did. We had morning prayers on Wednes days and Fridays. On my first Wednesday I well remember the snow, or rather what had been the snow, was deep on the ground. I had put on my surplice and was leaving the vestry, when J. B. stopped me: "Better see

if there's a congregation first, sir."
He entered the church, and in a minute or so returned: "If you please, sir, there was only Captain M-, and he said as there was only him, he wouldn't trouble you; and he's gone,

This, however, I ought to say, did had a congregation, though it was

often a very limited one. There was a special point, however, on which I must own J. B. deserved my gratitude. He had a son who wrote a large and very legible hand. This son was his father's amanuensis, and used to write the names in the

ing after the second lesson, whilst I history the truth of the saying: "Marry published from twenty to thirty pairs in haste and repent at leisure." from various parishes for the first, second and third times of asking; and but for the exceeding legibility of the able young women, apparently of the writing, would many a time have bro- better class of domestic servants, givken down. I learned then, for the first | ing themselves for better or for worse time, with what strange and compli- to men of seemingly all but the lowest eated names it is possible for people to type of intelligence. Many of these go through the world; nor was it easy to avoid at times saying spinster after a man's name, and bachelor after that

of a woman. My predecessor in the curacy was very short-sighted, and I was told that, as a rule, it took him ten minutes or more to get through the bans. And this brings me back to the

marriages. They were of all degrees, high and low, rich and poor. One morning I found myself confronted by ten bridesmaids; on another, the bridegroom confided to the clerk in the vestry. after the ceremony, that it had not been his fortune to get much carriage exercise in the course of his life and that, as he had made up his mind to afterward. Confirmation classes folride to his wedding, one of his friends had wheeled him to church in a wheel- in and preach at the evening service to barrow. Speaking generally, I must nearly eight hundred people. And not say that, had the brides been as dense unfrequently I reached home at 7:30 as the men, the requirements of the only to find some one waiting for me marriage service could, in very few cases, have been got through at all. or dving person, or with a note from a The majority of my bridegrooms apmedical man that a child was dangerpeared to have not the slightest idea ously ill and should be baptized immeof what they had to say, or what they diately. So that, having weddings at ought to do. As a rule, they were also 10 the next morning, I was not overfar more nervous than their fair part- willing to shorten my night's rest red man and buffalo roamed around in Judge Elliott to return a verdict for

Imagine six couples, with their at- "And are you really," I asked, "going tendants, witnesses, bridesmaids and to tie yourself for life to such a man as groomsmen, for the most part utterly that?" "Yes, she was, she must," unknown to the clergyman-in our she said-and she did, own parish were over ten thousand I might write much about the amuspeople, and very many outsiders came ling scenes which the necessary registo our church to be married-and igno- tering the wedded parties' names, etc., rant as to what was required of them gave rise to. The brides-no longer as to position, answers, etc. The the men-were the shy ones in the vesmodus operandi was as follows: After try, "Write your names here, if you some minutes had been spent in arplease." "Please, sir, I had rather ranging them in order, J. B. was seen not." "Can you not write? If you to place in a prayer-book with great cannot, make your mark." "To be care six slips of paper, each one with sure I can write, sir, and a deal better a number and the name of one chapter than him. Can't I. John? Why, I've written on it. Slip No. 1 represented kept mother's accounts at the shop for the first couple on the left and so on.

Carefully arranging once more the twelve individuals in proper order, his gray head appeared between those of each pair. "You Thomas Jones?" "Please, sir, I don't like to."

and the service commenced. service by heart, for well nigh my whole time and attention was taken up

in conversational instruction, and in watching to see that no over-curions bridemaid surreptitiously, though unintentionally, usurped the place of the retiring bride. Hardly ever, I fear, did I perform

the service without grave infractions of the law, which forbids the making unauthorized additions to the prayerbook. Seldom was I allowed to ask etc., without some interruption; for if the bridegroom were not exceedingly reticent, he was almost invariably over-eager, and before I had got through the few first words would an- He did so, and gave me a paper on swer, often with a pull of the forelock : which was inscribed "Jones."

> wait until the question was completed to the opposite extreme, and making him most reluctant to answer "I will" when the proper time came. The severest trial, however, was at the next point in the service, and it was always with a sense of relief that I passed beyond it. "Now, will you say this after me?" I used to ask: "I, John, take thee, Mary," etc. The hesitation was occasionally so long that the bride

> which generally brought about the desired result. Turning to the bride-Now, will you say this after me: "I, Mary, take thee, John," etc., and hard though it be to believe, full often would the man begin: "I Mary," or whatever the name might be, to his partner's intense

grew impatient, and asked angrily,

sotto voce, "Why don't you say it?"

disgust. It will easily be seen that the great especially, to conjecture. majority of our weddings were the reverse of aristocratic. To what class, however, to assign them would be difficult to decide.

An elderly gentleman, whose card announced him to be an officer of rank in the army, called upon me one evening and produced a marriage license. saying that he wished to be married as early as possible on the following morning. Accordingly he appeared with a rather over-dressed lady, some iwenty-five years his junior, and by way of witnesses, a stout elderly couple of the same tradesman rank. usual questions, among them the proession of the father of each party. Major-general was given and entered as the quality, trade or profession of the bridegroom's parent. "Your father's profession, if you please?" I asked the lady. "Gardener," was the reply. I thought that her husband looked much perturbed, but I duly entered the item, and thought no more about it until the next day, when, to my surprise, he again called at my lodgings, nd, after an elaborate explanation as to the true position of his wife's father, which he represented to be that of a private gentlemen, earnestly requested me to alter this entry in the ledger, adding that he was willing to pay any fee; but I made the alteration, with a

note on the margin to the effect that it had been made by me on the representation and at the request of the bridegroom. On another occasion, after the usual three-cornered note the previous evening, I found waiting at the vestry a good looking but somewhat "horsey young man, with a license in due form, but without his bride. "Sorry to have brought you out, sir," he said, "but I have not been able to see the lady this morning; would this time to-morrow be convenient?" I thought it very strange, and so did J. B., but I could only acquiesce; and on the next day he appeared, accompanied by a pretty but evidently much alarmed young girl, and by an elderly man and woman. I did not at all like the business, but there was no choice in the matter; the license was there and the marriage was performed. A few days afterward J. B. said to me: "I had a visitor this morning, sir. You remember that not happen a second time. We always queer looking affair last week? She C.); he was a groom, and called himdeclared he would never see her again.'

was the daughter of Mr. -- (naming a gentleman of position who lived near self a riding master at E.'s riding school. Mr. - has just come from Scotland, and finds his daughter gone. He came to look at the register, and Only too many, I fear, of the wed-It was the custom for the congrega- | dings at C. would, if appearances are tion to sit down every Sunday morn- to be trusted, exemplify in their afterwas a constant source of wonder to see, as I did see, day after day, respectmarriages were only too plainly matters of less choice than necessity. on one Sunday evening, a tidy looking girl came to my lodgings and asked if she could be married at 8 o'clock on Monday morning; the usual hour, she knew, was 10, but if I could come to the church at 8 she would be very grateful. My Sunday work at C., just at that time especially, was no right matter. Sunday school at 8:40, wed-dings at 9:45, which were barely completed at 11 o'clock, the time for morning service; this lasted till nearly 1. At 3 o'clock came the afternoon service, with a sermon, and perhaps fifteen infants to be baptized, and the necessary registering and churching lowed until 6, when I had to take part with a request to visit at once a sick ent. I used to wonder what would some time, but at length it came out: become of me on these occasions if J. "He has got the money for the fees, B. were taken ill, or otherwise detained | sir; and I know that if he has to keep

it after 8 to-morrow, he will drink it! You Mary Smith? "etc. "Then you'll "Very well, then, I can't give you the please not to move." Having ascer-marriage license." This generally overtained that all were where they ought came the scruples, and the true reason to be, he gave a sigh of relief, handed for the delay came out. The bride did

the book with the slips of paper to me, not know what name to write-her Wichita, and one which we wish to maiden name or that of her husband, dispel from the minds of any who may and was to shy to ask. chance to read this article, is the

spoke English but poorly, had been married to an English widow. She answer questions put to her otherwise than through her newly-made husband. Your father's name?" I asked the lady. "Henri Gohnge." answered he second "g" soft. I was beat, for the bride was evidently an English woman, so after one or two additional attempts, I asked him to write the name down.

"Yes, sir;" or, "To be sure, sir— But my "experiences" have already surely, I will do so." A request to exceeded the originally intended limit. One more in conclusion. A solitary smoothly, until I found that no re- that a man's life and his family are as sponse of any kind, either of word or safe here as at Lawrence. Of course, look, came to my first question: "Wilt if a man wants to get into a fight he thou have this woman to be thy wed- can do it; so he can at Lawrence, and the question repeated in a louder tone. he will get along. "I don't understand what ye mean." injured voice: "What does he mean?" She indignantly replied, with a forcible nudge of the elbow: "Say it arter him, can't you?" Then I found he was stone deaf, and that he could not read a word. We performed the service, and, I hope, duly, at last; but how we did it, I will-adding that he bet-leave my readers, lay and clerical

The Great Tunnel Commenced. John Bull will not be content until he can go to France dry-shod. For many years the project of bridging or tunneling Dover Straits has been conthat have been brought forward to accomplish this object. The best engineering skill has been employed, and the most careful examinations and estimates have been made, with a view of determining its practicability and obable cost. The necessity for such now in passengers and freight seems to demand that the work be undertaken. It is an enterprise of vast proportions, and will require an enormous outlay and consume many years before it can be completed.

The various plans for bridging the

channel, including the visionary scheme of suspending the structure on balloons, we believe, are all abandoned and the only practicable method of getting a railway across to France will be to go under the sea. The work, therefore, of cutting a tunnel has at last been entered upon, and a company has been organized and registered in London for commencing the work. About £2,000,000 will be first expended in sinking shafts and thoroughly testing the feasibility of plans. If the experimental shafts prove successful. books will be opened for further subscriptions to the stock, and the work will be pushed vigorously. The completion is only a question of time. Five years have been thought sufficient, but it seems hardly possible that so gigantie an undertaking can be accomplished in so short a space. The cutting will be comparatively easy, unless the geologists are at fault; for the only resistence is said to be a soft chalk rock that can be easily bored. There will necessarily be great danger connected with the work, from the liability of letting in the sea and the difficulty of securing ventilation during excavation. When completed, the tunnel will be twenty-three miles in length, and fresh air will probably have to be forced through its entire length by artificial means. If modern engineering is able to provide for this, there can be no doubt of the success of

the undertaking. Both countries are expected to joi in the expense of the enterprise, but the laboring oar will fall to England. since the finances of France have been so severely crippled in the war with Prussia. This is probably, all things considered, the most gigantic and diffi-

cult piece of engineering that was ever undertaken. WICHITA IN A SENSIBLE LIGHT.

The following sensible and truthful article we clip from the Lawrence Daily Tribune of October 27th, written by some person accompanying the

Making our way to the Douglas Avenue House, we (as the countryman at the Lindell, St. Louis, remarked,) threw ourselves gracefully into the arms of morpheus and calmly and sweetly reposed on our virtuous couch until the roofter crowed, when, assisted by the pangs of hunger and the sense of smell. we hastily be sought the breakfast room and attempted, in our feeble way(?) to do justice to a good, square mea-Whether we succeeded or not, we leave for the cook or landlord to say.

After this, feeling able to "do town, we started out to "see what we could see," and "hear what we could hear." We find Wichita to be a thriving young town, situated on the east bank of the Big Arkansas river, not quite three years old, and numbering fully 3,200 inhabitants, with the population rapidly and steadily increasing. We do not think or believe there is as lively a town in the state of Kansas to-day as Wichita, not even excepting Atchison or Lawrence, and are pretty certain there are none that have the prospects for the future that this town When we take into consideration the fact that three years ago where the town now stands there was not a white man's habitation, but that the noble (?) look at the town and note the progress and advance toward complete civiliza. Clark county to try the case .- Mt. tion made by the white man in that

length of time, 'tis truly marvelous and

greatly to be wondered at. The business of the place is very great, and mostly from the counties outh and southwest, dealers from the Indian Territory, and the home and county trade. The Texas cattle men leave a vast amount of money here, to sure, and help make the town very lively while they are here; but the country around is settling up so rapidly that the town by no means depends upon this transient trade and business support. The natural resources of alone will make one of the best and most substantial towns in the state, to say nothing of the advantages to be derived for years to come from the counties adjoining and south of this, whose ing point and market for a long time

chance to read this article, is the Then there was the spelling of the many and false reports spread abroad names, at which I must confess I often throughout this and other states of the had to guess, finding it impossible to rough and desperate character of the obtain the necessary information from town and its inhabitants. We were the fountain-head. A German, who informed that fights, drunks and rowdyism, to say nothing of robberies and murders, were going on at all hours of and family were in constant and fear-

was forty-five, but far too retiring to the day and night, and that our life ful danger all the time; that a man must even take his revolver to church in order to be on his guard, and so be the first question: "Wilt thou have the first question: "Gohnge," said he, pronouncing the the credit of the officers, citizens and police force of the town, be it said, that the parties who circulate such stories are either greatly misintormed, or wilfully and maliclously misrepresent the character and inhabitants of the town; and that there is not a more quiet and well-behaved class of people in any town in Kansas (taking into consideration the surroundings) than Wichita. and trees. Palm trees grow luxurihad the effect, as a rule, of driving him | couple appeared at the usual hour one | In our sojourn of a week, we have seen | antly towards the northern extremity Tuesday morning; nor did I expect no fights, but one man drunk, and are that all would not go otherwise than perfectly and thoroughly convinced

> ded wife?" except a vacant stare; to it all depends upon one's self as to how Improvements are being made all Once more I tried; but he turned to the time, and public, business and prihis bride and asked in a hopeless and vate dwelling houses are being built in large numbers. The First National bank is erecting a new two-story brick bank building on the corner of Main and Second streets, which, when completed, will be a credit to any town in the state. The Methodists have about completed a fine, large, frame church on Lawrence avenue, and will occupy did not know the deaf and dumb alpha- it the first Sunday in November. Other public and many private dwelling houses are being erected, and the town is steadily and substantially increasing in size and number of inhabitants, and will continue to do so until it becomes

> one of the leading cities of Kansas. As another evidence of prosperity, we will remark that two very creditatunneling Dover Straits has been con-sidered, and various are the schemes lished here. Marsh M. Murdock edits and "propriets" the Wichita City EAGLE, one of the very best weekly papers in the state, and gets it up in a style that all who know Marsh know that only he can. He has done good work for the town and county, and we ator from the twenty-fifth senatorial district if he lives until election day, and we have no doubt but that he will ably and satisfactorily represent his constituents.

> > The Wichita Daily Beacon, a very neat five column daily, was launched out to "sink or swim" on Thursday, the 17th inst. We do not wish to make any predictions in regard to this terse little sheet, but we are much afraid that, with Greelev and Thad, Walker at its masthead, it cannot survive long in this republican community. We will close by remarking that the prairie, for miles around, to the north

and we are much afraid it will result in the destruction of much property. and perhaps life. LATER-October 22. - The extensive prairie fires last night proved to be very destructive, and have resulted, as we predicted, in the loss of much property, although we have not yet heard of any lives being lost. We sincerely hope there may be no serious results from it, but are much afraid it will be

Hoping your readers will bear with us for such a lengthy letter. We are, yours, &c., Too Merciful by Half.

circumstances: A wedding party of

frolick, frightened the bridegroom from his bride and the house. Ultimately he was induced to return when convinced that the boys were larking. Afterwards it was proposed that Townsend should put all the men in the house through a drill on the floor. They all fell into line except W. B. Holder, who was conversing with a lady, and who excused himself by stating that he dad taken no part in the previous fun, and had no desire to par-

ticipate in that then going on. Whereupon Townsend (a most reckless daredevil, who had killed during and after the close of the war some twenty men) ordered him to fall into line, assuring him that he would "blow his G-d d-d brains out if he didn't." Holder again refused. Townsend repeated his order, reiterating the threat to blow his brains out if he persisted in refusing. Holder raised to his feet, and looking Townsend in the eye told him that he (Holder) had been at Shiloh, Chickamauga and other places where bullets rained thick as hail, and had fallen into line, but he had never been ordered to do so in that style, and he didn't propose to submit to it now. "You may blow my brains out. Capt. Townsend, for I am unarmed and unable to defend myself, but I'll die before I will suffer myself to be frighten. ed or driven into anything I don't ate Townsend, who jerked his revolver from its scabbard, and, placing it against poor Holder's forehead, fired, scattering his brains in every direction. He was so quick in his movements that no one could interfere to save his poor victim. The trial has been continued from term to term until last week, when the murderer was convicted of manslanghter, and sentenced to serve ten years in the pententiary. The verdiet was rendered on

Friday evening, after fifteen minutes' consultation. We are informed by one of the jurymen that they were unani mously for hanging the murderer, but were compelled by the instructions

Hits to Housekeeping If your flatirons are rough and smo-

Sterling (Ky.) Sentinel.

ky, rub them well; it will prevent them from sticking to anything starched and make them smooth Rub your griddle with fine salt before you grease it and your cake will not stick. Cedar chests are best to keep cloth-

ing in, for moths are never found in When clothes have acquired an un-Sedgwick county, of which Wichita is pleasant odor by being kept from the the county seat, are so great that these air, charcoal laid in the folds will soon remove it.

A young man of limited intelligence, who was recovering from a long fit of illness, being told by his physician that inhabitants will make this their trad- he "might now venture on a little animal food," exclaimed, "no you don't doctor; I've suffered enough on your One great drawback to the settle- gruel and stuff, and hang me if I touch ment and bringing of families to your hav or oats."

Interesting Discoveries. The Monbite expedition, according to a report recently read before the British association, has discovered on the borders of the desert east-southeast from Heshbon the ruins of a magnificent palace in an excellent state of preservation. A quadrangular wall of freestone, 515 feet on each side itteloses a brick palace. On the other side of the only enterance is an architectural front of carved work 180 feet long and 17 feet high. This ornamental front displays animals, birds flowers and men, chiseled with great delicacy, and eight chambers with vaulted roofs still remain. This palace is believed to have been erected about the end of the sixth century. The basin of the Dead Sea also explored, and it was discovered that while the western side is a desert of marl, destitute of vegetation, the eastern side is well supplied with water, and is covered with small plants

Church. The new Methodist church of Lawrence, as described by the Tribune, will front westwardly. The building. including the projections, will cover two lots, making 100 feet front by 117 deep. It is to be of the Gothic style of architecture. Its height-that is from the ground to the ridge, will be 96 feet. the front to be surmounted by an ornamental cross fourteen feet high. There are to be two towers at each corner of the facade, the tallest one of which will be 210 feet high; the other 150 feet. The principal entrance will be in the centre of the facade, and will consist of three double doors. There will also be one pair of double doors to each tower, and another pair under the gable. Over the main entrance will be an ornamental Gothic window 30 feet high, over this a rose window under the gable. All the windows in the tower and building will be Gothic. The main entrance will be level with the sidewalk or basement, and the audience room will be gained by a flight of stairs leading to a large vestibule. The audience room will be 86x60, in the rear of which there will be two parlors and a study. The basement will be divided up into eight rooms, six of which will be used as class litically. Marsh will be the next sen- before the cold weather sets in. It is finished, will be the largest and handsomest west of the Mississippi river,

Color of the Hair. Dark-haired races are said to be physically the strongest, but less endowed intellectually than the fairstrength and a predominance of a bili- long .- Acknowns City Traceler, ous temperament, as in the Spaniards, Mexicans, the Indian and the negro. Red hair is a sign of ardor, passion, inand east particularly, is on fire, with a tensity of feeling and purity of characfearful high and cold wind prevailing. ter, and goes with the sanguine temperament, as in the Scotch, Irish, the is found most frequently in connection with the lymphatic temperament, and fine moral and intellectual powers. Anglo-Saxons. Dark brown hair is,

Receipt for Sorghum Vinegar. To six gallons of warm soft water In 1865 W. B. Holder was murdered and one gallon sorghum syrup. Standin Powell county, under the following ing in the sun or by the fire, it will become good in about three weeks. The wild young man, under the lead of bung of the cask should be left open Capt, Willian Townsend, in a drunken for the admission of air. A piece of straw paper, or if you have it, some mother, will hasten fermentation. The above makes excellent pickles, though too dark color to look nice upon the table. A stronger article (which many ties. So says one of our agriculty perhaps prefer) can be made by a large exchanges. proportion of syrup.

The Indian Question. The legislative council of the Chickasaw nation has passed an act petitioning congress for permission to divide their lands in severalty, and it is said that the Choctaws will speedily follow

ably for the same purpose. The reason of this action is the stant pressure of the railroad companies upon congress. They are trying to obtain possession of the vast and fertile domain now held by the tribes and the wiser ones among the latter see that individual possession is their only safe-guard .- Arkansas City Trar-

power can be secured by building a dam across the river just above the bridge at the foot of Olive street We are informed that the service of a skillful engineer has been employed, and The material is stated to be highly want to do." This seemed to infuri- that a thorough investigation will be polished and parated in black and gold made next Saturday as to the practi- colors. It cannot be stained and cability of damming the river at that brushed brushed like marble, and con-

point - Octord Press. Frank Williams, living two miles north of town, killed twelve ducks at one shot, one day last week. How will that do for shooting? Town sports will please answer .- Winfield Messenger, One of our sports killed a prairie chicken the other day at thirteen shots;

Winfield - Oxford Press.

a half of pipe tested, only two or three slight flaws were found. The electric bells and permanent battery for timing the recitations in the new building have arrived. One hundred and fifty models for the

rence Journal. Dr. J. C. Ripperton, who left this place about a year since, is here visiting his friends. He has been practicing medicine in Belle Plait . Summer county. The doctor and family met with a sad affliction in the loss of Mrs. Ripperton's sister, who died at tiernett as they were on their was here .- Irish buil, to which he replied

Paula Sp 7 1 Breakfast or Tea Bistuit.

cuits, let them rise an hour or two be-

SUMNER COUNTY.

We clip the following items from the

Oxford Pressi A saddle and harness maker is badly needed in Oxford. A rare opportunity for a good workman who desires a choice location.

Mr. Thompson, a one-armed soldier, who has a claim six miles west of town, with the assistance of a devoted wife, has finished a well fourteen feet deep. and walled the same with stone ther hanled from a quarry ness by on a hand sled. So much for indomitable

courage and determination. Immigration is steadily increasing. During the hast week a score of families arrived from several different states, and settled in the vicinity of Oxford. Several farms have changed hands at reasonable figures, and building and other preparations for winter are being vigorously prosecuted.

In company with a small party of friends, we enjoyed the pleasure of a drive this week out among the farmers southwest of Oxford, where the comfortable little residences, fields of corn, growing wheat and fine young hedges mark the rapid growth of the best farming country in the state. Occasionally we noticed a young orchard and a few shade trees, but we fear our fatthers lack enterprise in this respect. We wish to urge the importance of tree planting upon the attention of the settlers. If you are not able

to buy fruit trees, plant cottonwood, or anything in the shape of a tree, and let them be growing. Messrs, Broadbent, Loofborough & Whaley have recently purchased nearly two hundred head of cows and heifers for their farms on and near Slate creek. The stock was carefully selected for breeding purposes, the parties in tending to cross with the best blooded durham. We had the pleasure of looking through this little herd a few days since, and found them to be the finest lot of cattle we have yet seen in this county. We are glad to see such an exhibition of enterprise by the farmers and stock men of Sumner, as it must result, if the example of these gentle-men be followed by others, in almost

incalculable benefit to our county.

Cowley County Coal. Our blacksmiths are now almost exare glad to know that he is reaping rooms. The contractors expect to build Grouse. The vein is said to be three All went well until the time came for a work is more and more felt each such is reward, both pecuniarily and poths feet thick; the coal is brown, with contractors expect the foundation up to the basement floor feet thick; the coal is brown, with contractors expect the foundation up to the basement floor feet thick; the coal is brown, with contractors expect the foundation up to the basement floor. siderable per centage of sulphur, but thought that this church edifice, when inished, will be the largest and hand-digging would develop a better quality. Our magnesian limestone belongs to the Permian, or uppermost division of the coal-bearing rocks. We must expect to hore through this before we reach the true coal measures. So far as we know, this is the only workable seam of Permian coal in Kansas. But the true coal-measures, judging from haired. The first are more inclined to the dip of the strata, cannot be far bemental exettion. Black hair indicates low. We must go down there before

To RESTORE SCRATCHED FURNI-TUR.-Scrape one pound of beeswax into shavings in a pan; add half a gallon spirits of turpentine, and one pint linseed oil. Let it remain twelve hours. Swede and the Dane. Auburn hair then stir it well with a stick into a liquid; while stirring, add one-quarter pound shelpe varrish and one onnee indicates delicacy and refinement of alkanel root. Put this mixture into a tastes; and if the mind be cultivated, gallon jar, and stand it before the fire, or in the oven, for a week (to keep it It is common among the Germans and just warm;) shake it up three or four times a day. Then sprain it through a perhaps, all things considered, the hair seive and bottle it. Pour about a nost desirable color, as it combines teaspoonful on a wad or baize, go lightthe strength of the black with the ex- Is over the face and other parts of the quisite susceptibilities of the light mahogany furniture, then rub brishly with a similar wad dry, and in three minutes it will produce a brillant pol-

ish unequaled. Most persons boil hams. They are much better, baked if baked right Soak for an hour in clean water, wife dry, and then spread it all over with thin batter and lay it in a dish with sticks under it to keep it out of the gravy. When fully done take off the skin and battered crust upon the flesh side, and set away to cool. You will find it delicious, but rich for dyspep-

From the Territory Capt. G. H. Norton and W. H. Speers have just returned from the Creek nation. They find maters there in an unsettled state. The Creeks are arrayed in two hostile parties, and the strife of factions is intense. The two parties in the same track. The Cherokee have repeatedly been armed for battle. chief has convened his council, prob- and the general confusion temporarily posponed the business of their journes. viz: the establishment of a mill and newspaper at Okmulkee, Arkenson

City Traveler.

from some of the members of the First Presbyterian church of New York city. It is believed that a valuable water Paxon, D. D., many thanks are due. The Emporia News speaks of the pulpit for the new Welsh church at Emporia as a beautiful piece of work

sequently is better for the purpose

The Pre-byterian church of New

Chicago has been the recipient of a

very handsome communion set, a gift

than marble. It is worth \$200, and is the Penchyn slate company of Middle Greenville, N. Y. Rev. D. T. McAuley has leased his farm near Americus, and will remove

to Burlington where he has a congre but as that is not duck shooting. Ox- Forty young men are preparing for ford will not contest the prize with the priesthood at the Catholic semina-

re of the assumption at Topeks. The steam heating apparatus in the The Catholic church at Atchison has north wing of the university building been greatly improved this fall, both ners, whose impatience with their stupidity became at times only too apparreason I could not get from the girl for

the man and bundle reading around in street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in a red in an and bundle reading in our street in an and bundle reading in our street in an and bundle reading in our street in an analysis in our street in an and bundle reading in our street in an analysis in our street in an and bundle reading in our street in an analysis in our street in an and bundle reading in our street in an and bundle reading in our street in an analysis in an a pended toward faishing this magnificent building.

> Hubbah Beedle, of Bhode Island, a member of the Society of Friends, prouched in the Presbyterian church mechanical department illustrating at Burillegame, on Subbath evening nearly every vatiety of mechanical ap- last. Sister Beedie was accompanied plication, have been received .- Low- by Nicholas Plakim and his wife, Laeinds, of Maine.

> > was publicly presented with a hand-some sword. He began his reply thus; Ladies and gentleman, this sword is the proudest day of my existence." An Irishman was asked to define an

Whenever you see two cows lying

Not long ago a captain of volunteers

down in a field, the one that is standing up is the buff" One plut well raised bread dough. The Congregational church of Oliexcepted, and will enter upon his du-

one egg, and a piece of butter the size, the has extended a call to Kev. F. W. of an egg, well worked in ; cut the bis. Adams, of Lathrop, Missouri. He has ties on the third subbath of pest Attenues & Br